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Bill H (S) 72

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Did this bill originate in an interim committee? Yes No

Committee

Report

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
STATE SENATE

January 20, 1965

A meeting of the Highway and Transportation Committee was called to order by Chairman Bovey, January 20, 1965, at 2:30 p.m. in room 407 of the State Capitol Building.

Roll Call: All members present, except Senator Reardon.

CONSIDERATION OF Senate Bill No. 72. Senator Cummings, Granite, sponsor, explained the bill: A Bill that would make it mandatory for people building new automobiles to put seat belts in the front seat, one on each side.

SENATOR MAHONEY MOVED THAT SB 72 DO PASS; SECOND BY SENATOR MORITZ; CARRIED.

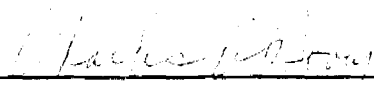
CONSIDERATION OF SB 68. Senator Bentz, co-sponsor with Senator Cotton explained the bill, a bill including haystack movers to be included in implements of husbandry in order that they may be moved on the highways. Appointment of Sub-committee to study with the idea of possibly adding other machinery. SUB-COMMITTEE: McGowan, Bentz, Moritz.

CONSIDERATION OF an unnumbered bill presented by Alex Stephenson, Supervisor, Montana Highway Patrol. It was a compact bill re; drivers' licenses, had passed in 32 other states in by 1963, there being only 11 western states that had not enacted it. MOVED BY SENATOR McGowan to introduce it as a committee bill if agreeable with Senator Reardon who was absent and if he was not agreeable some member of the committee would introduce it. SECOND, SENATOR HOLT; CARRIED.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 46, regarding speed restrictions when entering an Interstate highway. Discussion. Appointment of SUB-Committee: SENATORS MAHONEY AND HOLT.

CONSIDERATION OF ANOTHER UNNUMBERED BILL explained by Alex Stephenson and Captain C. M. Kerr, of Highway Patrol. Purpose was to save \$5000 a year in postage in sending out notices by ordinary mail rather than by registered mail when giving notice of revoking of drivers' licenses --there being more than 1200 for drunken drivers. NO ACTION.

ADJOURNMENT.



Senator Charles A. Bovey, Chairman

February 17, 1965

Minutes of the
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Rep. Gill, Vice-Chairman. Secretary called the roll.

SB 9 - Proponents - Sen. Bill Mathers, Custer County.
Opponents - None

Rep. Gerke made a motion to pass consideration of this bill until the outcome of HB13 is seen. Bollinger seconded and the motion carried.

SB61 - Proponents - Sen. Henry Hibbard, Lewis and Clark.
Sonny Omholt, state auditor and insurance commissioner.

Rep. Deschamps made a motion that SB61 do pass. Delano seconded and the motion carried.

SB54 - Proponents - Jean Turnage, Sen. Lake County
Opponents - None.

SB67 - Proponents - Robert S. Cotton, Sen. Valley County, author.
Opponents - None

SB72 - Proponents - Sen. Hugh Cummings, Granite County, author.
Sen. C. R. Thiessen, Richland County.
Ted James, Lieutenant Governor.
Sen. Ralph Beck, Powell County.

Rep. Tooke made a motion that SB72 do pass. Delano seconded and the motion carried.

Rep. Deschamps made a motion that SB67 do pass. Gerke seconded and the motion carried.

Rep. Casey made a motion that SB54 do pass. Tooke seconded and the motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

Jean Nelson, Secretary

CHAPTER 114

An Act Amending Section 93-1906, R. C. M. 1947, Increasing the Annual Salaries of Court Reporters From Six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$6,600.00) to Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$7,800.00).

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Montana:

Amending clause.

Section 1. Section 93-1906, R. C. M. 1947, is amended to read as follows:

Salary and expenses of reporter—apportionment.

“93-1906. **Salary and expenses of reporter—apportionment.** Every reporter appointed under the provisions of this chapter receives an annual salary of *seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$7,800.00)* and no other compensation except as provided in section 93-1904, provided, however, that all transcripts and bills of exceptions required by the county shall be furnished without cost, payable in monthly installments out of the general funds of the counties comprising the district for which he is appointed, according and in proportion to the number of civil and criminal actions entered and commenced in the district courts of such counties respectively in the preceding year; and it shall be the duty of the judge of such district, on the first day of January of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be, to apportion the amount of such salary to be paid by each county in his district on the basis aforesaid. The reporter is allowed, in addition to the salary and fees above provided, in judicial districts comprising more than one (1) county, his actual and necessary expenses of transportation and living when he goes on official business to a county of his judicial district other than the county in which he resides, from the time he leaves his place of residence until he returns thereto, said expenses to be apportioned and payable in the same way as the salary.”

\$7,800.00.

Exception.

Additional allowance.

Approved March 1, 1965.

CHAPTER 115

An Act Requiring That Seat Belts be Installed in All Automobiles Manufactured or Assembled Commencing With the 1966 Models; Directing the Highway Patrol Supervisor to Establish Specifications and Requirements

for Approved Types of Safety Belts and Attachments; and Providing a Penalty.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Montana:

Section 1. It is unlawful for any person to buy, sell, lease, trade or transfer from or to Montana residents at retail an automobile, which is manufactured or assembled commencing with the 1966 models, unless such vehicle is equipped with safety belts installed for use in the left front and right front seats thereof, and no such vehicle shall be operated in this state unless such belts remain installed.

Requirement that seat belts be installed in automobiles manufactured commencing with the 1966 models.

Section 2. All such safety belts must be of a type and must be installed in a manner approved by the highway patrol supervisor. The highway patrol supervisor shall establish specifications and requirements for approved types of safety belts and attachments thereto. The highway patrol supervisor will accept, as approved, all seat belt installations and the belt and anchor meeting the society of automotive engineers' specifications.

Highway patrol supervisor to approve installation.

Section 3. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Violation—penalty.

Approved March 1, 1965.

CHAPTER 116

An Act to Amend Section 93-1301, R. C. M. 1947, by Removing the Maximum Age of Seventy Years From the Qualifications of Persons Otherwise Competent to Act as Jurors; Repealing All Acts and Parts of Acts in Conflict Herewith.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Montana:

Section 1. That section 93-1301, R. C. M. 1947, be amended to read as follows:

Amending clause.

“93-1301. **Who competent to act as juror.** A person is competent to act as a juror if:

Competent to act as juror—*who.*

1. A citizen of the United States of the age of twenty-one years, who shall have been a resident of the state one